Office-bearers of AISBOF

2024. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as many as 100 officers of State Bank of India do not attend to their daily work in the bank on the excuse of being office-bearers of the All India State Bank Officers Federation and Associations affiliated to it;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the loss suffered by the bank as a result thereof; and

(c) what action is being taken or is proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) No, Sir. State Bank of India has reported that only one office bearer of All India State Bank Officers Federation *i.e.*, General Secretary of the Federation is granted full day duty relief for attending to organisational work. All other office bearers are required to perform full day's work, as in the case of other officers.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Customs duty on import of palmolien oil

2025. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to customs duty on import of palmolien oil, it costs nearly double to the BPL card holders;

(b) whether Government of Gujarat has requested Government of India for exemption of customs duty in case of import of palmolien oil for distribution among BPL card holders; and

(c) whether Government are considering this matter favourably and by when the decision will be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Government of Gujarat has informed that rise in prices of edible oils